
HOUSE BILL No. 1679

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: None (noncode).

Synopsis: Study of state buy out of Medicaid beds. Requires the select joint commission on Medicaid oversight to: (1) investigate the practice of the state buying out Medicaid certified beds in health facilities; and (2) report the commission's findings to the legislative council.

Effective: Upon passage.

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January 23, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning Medicaid.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) **As used in this**
2 **SECTION, "commission" refers to the select joint commission on**
3 **Medicaid oversight established by IC 2-5-26-3.**

4 (b) **As used in this SECTION, "division" refers to the division**
5 **of aging established by IC 12-9.1-1-1.**

6 (c) **As used in this SECTION, "office" refers to the office of the**
7 **secretary of family and social services established by IC 12-8-1-1.**

8 (d) **In 2007, the commission shall investigate and make findings**
9 **on the state's practice of buying out Medicaid certified beds in**
10 **health facilities by the office and the division.**

11 (e) **In investigating the practice of buying out Medicaid certified**
12 **beds by the office and the division, the commission shall study the**
13 **following:**

14 (1) **The legality of this practice, including whether the practice**
15 **conforms with federal and state law, and the means by which**
16 **the office and the division have bought out the Medicaid**
17 **certified beds.**

18 (2) **The requirements for transparency under federal and**



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1 state laws.

2 (3) The financial viability of this practice as a business
3 practice.

4 (4) The impact of this practice on:

5 (A) the state budget;

6 (B) health facility utilization;

7 (C) the implementation of P.L.274-2003 (SEA 493-2003);

8 and

9 (D) the rights and well-being of consumers.

10 (f) Not later than November 1, 2007, the commission shall report
11 the findings made by the commission under this SECTION to the
12 legislative council in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

13 (g) This SECTION expires December 31, 2007.

14 SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.

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